

# Guideline C-14

## Prohibition of Waste Oil for Use As a Dust Suppressant

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## **SYNOPSIS**

Guideline C-9 - Approval of a Waste Management Systems for Use for Dust Suppression Using a Waste Material discusses the process and information needed to obtain approval for using waste material as a dust suppressant. This guideline document is a supplementary guidance document for Guideline C-9. The primary purpose of this guideline is to eliminate the potential for environmental contamination that would be caused by the use of waste oil as a dust suppressant. The only exception to the ban on the use of waste oil as a dust suppressant is for use on coal piles when the waste oil is generated on-site (which may include waste oil from other sites operated by the owner of the coal pile).

This guideline will be enforced by denying an Environmental Compliance Approval authorizing the use of waste oil as a dust suppressant and during the normal abatement and enforcement activities of District and Investigations and Enforcement Branch staff.

### **1.0 Introduction**

As a means of reducing the potential for environmental contamination, O. Regulation 347, Section 5(4), prohibits the use of waste oil as a dust suppressant.

### **2.0 Definition**

**“Waste Oil”** means:

Any oil no longer required for its intended use; such oils would include crankcase, hydraulic, electrical and emulsified oil or mixtures of such oils and any other materials.

### **3.0 Use on Coal Piles**

Waste oils may be used as a dust suppressant on coal piles when the waste oil is generated "on-site" (which may include other sites operated by the owner of the coal pile) and shall be controlled using a stringent Environmental Compliance Approval mechanism.

### **4.0 Environmental Compliance Approval**

An Environmental Compliance Approval authorizing the use of waste oil as a dust suppressant other than on coal piles shall not be issued. Any existing approval for such activities shall be revoked.



